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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR BRITISH OFFICIALS TO TESTIFY

IN E.P.A. PROCEEDING

1. U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) CURRENTLY HAS UNDERWAY A PROCEEDING TO DETERMINE IF REGISTRATIONS FOR USE OR SALE OF PESTICIDES ALDRIN AND DIELDRIN SHOULD BE CANCELLED. THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND, INC., AND THE SHELL OIL COMPANY, BOTH PARTIES TO PROCEEDING, HAVE INVITED SCIENTISTS FROM CERTAIN BRITISH RESEARCH COUNCILS TO APPEAR AS WITNESSES. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE HAS ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN HAVING CERTAIN OF THESE WITNESSES APPEAR.

2. COUNCILS INVOLVED ARE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH COUNCIL, NATURAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH COUNCIL, AND MEDICAL UNCLASSIFIED

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RESEARCH COUNCIL. THEY HAVE DENIED PERMISSION FOR THEIR

SCIENTISTS TO PARTICIPATE IN E.P.A. PROCEEDING.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, WITH CONCURRENCE OF PARTIES IN CASE, INCLUDING EPA, HAS ASKED THAT APPROPRIATE U.K. AUTHORITIES BE CONTACTED TO REQUEST RECONSIDERATION OF REFUSAL OF PERMISSION. WE BELIEVE THAT U.S. GOVERNMENT INTEREST IN FULL AND FREE EXPLORATION OF ALL FACTS AT ISSUE WOULD BE SERVED BY ATTENDANCE OF THESE WITNESSES.

4. ACCORDINGLY, IF EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION, REQUEST THAT FOLLOWING NOTE BE DELIVERED TO APPROPRIATE U.K. OFFICIALS.

5. BEGIN TEXT. (COMPLEMENTARY OPENING) AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO HEARINGS PRESENTLY BEING CONDUCTED BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGARDING THE POSSIBLE CANCELLATION OF THE LICENSES PERMITTING USE OF THE PESTICIDES ALDRIN AND DIELDRIN IN THE UNITED STATES. THE UNITED STATES IS DESIROUS THAT ALL PARTIES TO THESE PROCEEDINGS BE ABLE TO INTRODUCE ALL RELEVANT TESTIMONY TO ASSURE FULL CONSIDERATION OF RELEVANT ISSUES.

6. THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND, INC., AND THE SHELL OIL COMPANY, BOTH PARTIES TO THESE PROCEEDINGS, HAVE INVITED SCIENTISTS FROM THE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH COUNCIL, THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL, AND THE MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL TO APPEAR AS WITNESSES IN THESE HEARINGS. CERTAIN OF THESE COUNCILS HAVE DENIED PERMISSION FOR THE SCIENTISTS INVOLVED TO PARTICIPATE AS WITNESSES.

7. THE EMBASSY WISHES TO POINT OUT THAT THESE SCIENTISTS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARINGS AS INDEPENDENT EXPERTS, AND NOT AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNCILS OR OF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT. IT IS CONVENTIONAL IN IMPORTANT UNITED STATES ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS, SUCH AS THIS ONE, FOR PARTIES IN INTEREST TO SEEK THE VIEWS AND TESTIMONY

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OF KNOWLEDGABLE SCIENTIFIC WITNESSES AND TO PAY THEIR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCEEDING. PAYMENT OF EXPENSES BY PARTIES IN INTEREST SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS REFLECTING ADVERSELY ON THE INTEGRITY AND INDEPENDENCE OF THE EXPERTS.

8. IN LIGHT OF THE FOREGOING, THE EMBASSY WOULD HOPE THAT THE RESPECTIVE RESEARCH COUNCILS MIGHT RECONSIDER

THEIR POSITIONS, AND AGREE TO PERMIT SCIENTISTS IN
THEIR EMPLOY TO TESTIFY, IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITIES,
IN THE HEARINGS IN QUESTION. (CLOSING). KISSINGER

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